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SUBJ: PERIODS OF VALIDITY OF GRAIN IMPORT LICENSES

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1. SOURCES IN THE COMMISSION AND THE MEMBER STATE
PERMEDELS TELL US THAT A VOTE WAS TAKEN ON A COMMISSION
PROPOSAL TO REDUCE THE PERIOD OF VALIDITY OF FEED GRAIN
IMPORT LICENSES AT LAST THURSDAY'S GRAIN MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING. THE RESULT OF THE VOTE WAS A "NON
AVIS"--I.E., THE PROPOSAL WAS NEITHER APPROVED NOR
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DISAPPROVED BY A QUALIFIED MAJORITY. NOW THE PROPOSAL
NEED ONLY BE SIGNED BY A COMMISSIONER TO BECOME LAW.
THIS FORMALITY IS SUPPOSED TO OCCUR EITHER TODAY OR
TOMORROW AND THE REGULATION IS EXPECTED TO GO INTO EFFECT
ABOUT JULY 15.

2. THE COMMISSION PROPOSAL SETS THE PERIOD OF VALIDITY

FOR IMPORT LICENSES (WITH PREFIXING OF IMPORT LEVIES)
AT 45 DAYS FOR ALL GRAINS. FOR CORN, BARLEY AND OATS,
WHICH ARE CURRENTLY 60 DAYS, THIS REPRESENTS A REDUCTION
IN THE PERIOD OF VALIDITY. FOR SOFT WHEAT, THE PERIOD
OF VALIDITY REMAINS THE SAME WHILE FOR DURUM WHEAT,
CURRENTLY AT 30 DAYS, IT WOULD INCREASE. PREVIOUSLY
THE COMMISSION HAD SOUGHT A REDUCTION IN THE PERIOD OF
VALIDITY FOR FEED GRAINS FROM 60 TO 30 DAYS (REF. A).
THE MODERATION OF THEIR PROPOSAL APPARENTLY EASED THE
OPPOSITION OF MEMBER STATES' CRITICAL OF THEIR EARLIER
PROPOSAL; WE ARE TOLD THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM, THE
NETHERLANDS AND GERMANY ABSTAINED FROM VOTING IN THE
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

3. WE REGISTERED OUR CONCERN ABOUT THE REDUCTION IN THE
PERIOD OF VALIDITY FOR FEED GRAIN IMPORT LICENSES TO
LARSEN (GUNDELACH'S CHEF DE CABINET). HE SAID THAT HE
WAS NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE RESULTS OF LAST THURSDAY'S
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE BUT SAID THAT THE COMMISSION HAS
BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE MANIPULATION OF THE EC SYSTEM
BY GRAIN TRADERS AND THE LARGE PROFITS MADE BY SOME
FIRMS VIA SUCH MANIPULATION. HE SAID THAT THE CHANGES
WERE AIMED AT DEALING WITH THIS PROBLEM.

4. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN TOLD THAT THE COMMISSION IS
CONSIDERING EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF VALIDITY OF EXPORT
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LICENSES (WITH PREFIXING OF EXPORT SUBSIDIES) FOR WHEAT,
CORN AND BARLEY FROM THE CURRENT 30 DAYS TO 2 MONTHS
PLUS THE MONTH OF ISSUE. HOWEVER, THIS ISSUE WAS
APPARENTLY NOT DISCUSSED AT LAST THURSDAY'S MEETING.
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